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Dear Mr. Konroyd:

This acknowledges receipt of and also is a final response to your 1 June 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 11 June 2018, for **internal documents or research related to the following keywords/phrases:**

- **psychoacoustic surveillance techniques**
- **threshold of noise perception**
- **threshold of noise perception in audio steganography**
- **real-time watermarking methods in streaming music**
- **Zero-Crossing Rate-Based Perceptual Features of bio-acoustic cover signal**
- **Pulse Width Modulate/Pulse Position Modulate fans motor**
- **Truth Default Theory**
- **Information Manipulation Theory**
- **Gas-lighting via networked environments**

We have assigned your request the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding so that we can identify it easily.

Your request as currently written is not reasonably described and cannot be searched. As set forth in the FOIA, a proper FOIA request must “reasonably describe” the records sought. Pursuant to CIA’s FOIA regulations, set forth at 32 CFR Part 1900, “reasonably described” means that the records must be described sufficiently to enable professional employees familiar with the subject matter to locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort.

At this time, we cannot propose a recommendation to revise your request in a way that would allow us to conduct a proper search for responsive records. Therefore, we encourage you to refine your request in a way that provides us with more clarity about the description of the records you seek to enable us to conduct a reasonable search for responsive records, or attempt to provide more clarity in your request that may assist us in suggesting a proposed search recommendation. Please also include a specific narrowed date range.

For example, we can search for information about particular incidents or events that are identifiable by a date or at a precise location within a specific date range. We can search if you describe a specific activity within a date range; we can search for specific reports by title concerning topics within a date range; we can search for intelligence reports or finished intelligence reports concerning specific topics within a date range. We suggest that you describe exactly what it is you wish to obtain in your request on that specific topic. Therefore, we cannot assist or help you at this time. You are welcome to submit this request in the future if you are able to provide additional clarity, at which time we will assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Allison Fong', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allison Fong  
Information and Privacy Coordinator